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FOR: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

Enclosed are:

- ☐ 80 pages of specification, claims, abstract.
- ☐ Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☐ Priority Claimed.
- ☐ Certified copy of \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ 10 sheets of formal drawing.
- ☐ An assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_  
and the assignment recordation fee.
- ☐ An associate power of attorney.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and reference.
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment

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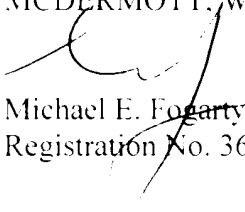
In accordance with the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 120, Applicants hereby claim the priority of U. S. Patent Application No. 09/178,766, filed October 26, 1998, of which this application is a Continuation-In-Part, which is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/734,218, filed October 21, 1996, which claims the benefit of the priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 of :

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The certified copy was filed in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08 734,218 in support of the claim of priority. Acknowledgement is respectfully requested.

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